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## VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

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**Re: Patent Application Entitled: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
DYNAMIC FUNCTION LOADING IN SPREADSHEETS ON  
SMALL DEVICES"**

Your Ref.: P5220/ARG

Our Ref.: 0007056-0054

Dear Mr. Rank:

Please find the enclosed draft of the above-referenced application. Please review the specification, claims, and drawings to assure that we have accurately described the subject matter of the invention and that the description of the invention is complete. By complete we mean (1) that the specification would enable one of ordinary skill in the art to practice the invention, and (2) the specification discloses the best mode. The best mode is simply the best way you know how to practice the invention at the time the application is filed.

If there are any corrections to the application, please make them directly on the copy provided and return it to us. If you do not understand any of the subject matter, please call me so that we can revise the application, including the claims accordingly. If you find the application to be both correct and you are the inventor of the subject matter as claimed, please retain the application for your records and notify us that the application should be filed. We will then proceed to file the application together with the executed formal documents at the Patent and Trademark Office.

Mr. Paul J. Rank  
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I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that we have a duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) any prior art that we are aware of which may be material to the examination of this application. If you are aware of anything that a reasonable examiner might consider important when examining the claims in this application, please bring it to our attention so that it can be disclosed to the PTO. Please be aware that the prior art includes not only patents and publications, but also products that have been used or sold in this country. If there is some question on whether prior art is pertinent and should be disclosed, it is best to disclose it since failure to do so may result in the patent being unenforceable.

Once we receive instructions to file the application, we will promptly file the application as a non-provisional application with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

If you have any questions or general comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

J.D. Harriman II

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Enclosures:

Specification, Claims, and Drawings  
Disclosure of Prior Art Form

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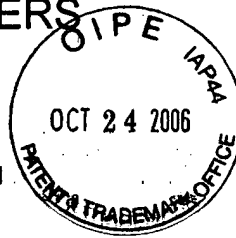
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LOADING IN SPREADSHEETS ON SMALL DEVICES"**  
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Dear Paul:

Please find enclosed a second draft of the above-referenced application for your review. The second draft incorporates the changes you indicated on the previous draft. Once we receive instructions to file the application, we will send you the formal documents for your execution and begin the process of filing the application as a non-provisional application with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

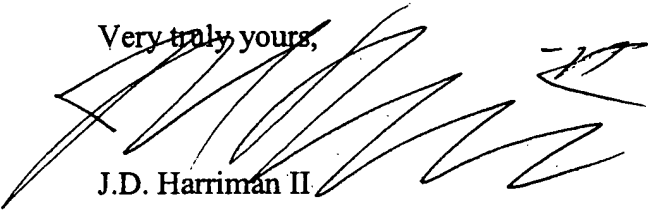
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Enclosure:

Second Draft of Specification, Claims and Drawings

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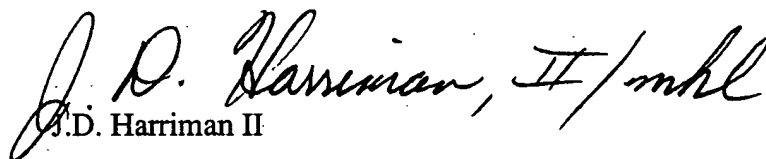
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Mr. Paul J. Rank  
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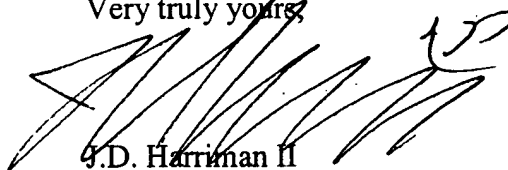
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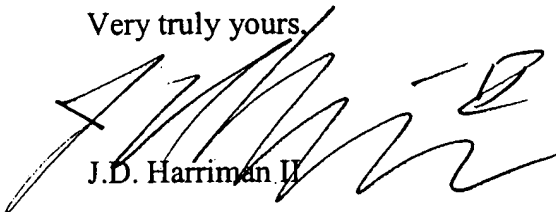
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Dear Paul:

Please find enclosed the redlined version of the above-referenced application showing the changes you suggested.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Our Ref.: 007056-0054

Dear Anirma:

Enclosed for your records is a copy of the specification, claims, drawings, and formal documents filed at the Patent Office on **January 2, 2001** in the above-entitled matter.

The International Priority filing deadline is **January 2, 2002**. We have calendared this date, and we will send you reminders as the date approaches.

We would also like to remind you of your continuing obligation to cite to the Patent Office all relevant prior art. Enclosed for your information is a notice entitled "Disclosure of Prior Art to the United States Patent and Trademark Office" which goes into more detail.

We will keep you advised of any further developments in this case. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Enclosures:

Transmittal Letter to PTO  
Specification, Claims, Drawings (FIGS. 1-9)  
Assignment & Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet  
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